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**UTILITY APPLICATION AND FEE TRANSMITTAL §(1.53(b))**

Commissioner for Patents  
**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: **IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND PROCESSING METHOD THEREFOR**

Enclosed Are:

23 page(s) of specification

1 page(s) of Abstract

7 Page(s) of claims

21 sheets of ☒ Formal ☐ Informal drawings

\_\_\_\_\_ page(s) of Declaration and Power of Attorney

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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$986.00 in payment of the application filing fees is attached.
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- ☐ Related Case Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii)
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- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return receipt postcard (MPEP 503)
- ☐ This is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of prior application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, to which priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 is claimed.
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the parent application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this Amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application).
- ☐ The status of the parent application is as follows:
- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time and a Fee therefor has been or is being filed in the parent application to extend the term for action in the parent application until \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time in the co-pending parent application is attached.
- ☐ No Petition for Extension of Time and Fee therefor are necessary in the co-pending parent application.
- ☐ Please abandon the parent application at a time while the parent application is pending or at a time when the petition for extension of time in that application is granted and while this application is pending has been granted a filing date, so as to make this application co-pending.
- ☐ Transfer the drawing(s) from the parent application to this application
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
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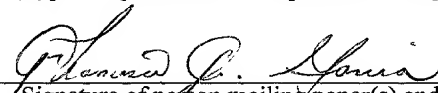
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